

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

RADIOLUCENT SURGICAL TABLE WITH LOW SHADOW ACCESSORY INTERFACE PROFILE

the specification of which is attached hereto.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Not applicable.

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below: Not applicable.

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided

by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Not applicable.

We hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Inventor's signature _____

Date: _____

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ASSIGNMENT

We, Timothy Kolody, of 1425 West 44th Street, City of Lorain, County of Lorain, State of Ohio, and Ward L. Sanders, of 10827 Ivoray Road, City of Albion, County of Erie, State of Pennsylvania, and Victor M. Selig, of 23307 Williams Avenue, City of Euclid, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, having invented certain new and useful improvements in:

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for which we are about to make application for Letters Patent of the United States, the said application having been executed by **Timothy Kolody** on this _____ day of _____, 2001, **Ward L. Sanders** on this _____ day of _____, 2001, and **Victor M. Selig** on this _____ day of _____, 2001, do hereby, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, sell, assign, and transfer unto **STERIS CORPORATION**, an Ohio corporation, having a principal place of business at:

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the full and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions, and in all foreign countries with all rights under the International Convention including the right to claim priority, and the entire and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, and extensions thereof.

We therefore authorize and request the Patent Office officials in the United States and in any and all foreign countries to issue any and all Letters Patent when granted, solely to the said

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for its sole use, and that of its successors, and assigns.

Signed at _____, on this _____ day of
_____, 2001.

Timothy Kolody

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Personally appeared before me this day, the above named **Timothy Kolody** to me personally known, who acknowledged that they signed the foregoing instrument for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and that the same is their free act and deed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this _____ day of _____, 2001.

Notary Public

(Seal)

Signed at _____, on this _____ day of
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Victor M. Selig

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Personally appeared before me this day, the above named **Victor M. Selig**, to me personally known, who acknowledged that they signed the foregoing instrument for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and that the same is their free act and deed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this _____ day of _____, 2001.

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